

WASHINGTON – The Committee on House Administration’s Ranking Republican Vern Ehlers, R-Mich., issued the following statement on the United States Supreme Court decision to uphold Indiana’s photo identification requirement:

“I am extremely pleased with the United States Supreme Court’s 6-3 ruling to uphold Indiana’s voter photo identification law. Indiana implemented this safeguard to deter fraud in accordance with the Carter-Baker Commission’s recommendation that states require photo identification at the polls, and in compliance with the Help America Vote Act. Since implementation, Indiana has successfully conducted six elections without one recorded instance of voter disenfranchisement due to the requirement. Identity theft is the fastest, growing crime in the United States, and we simply can’t pretend that it doesn’t take place in polling locations on election day. Protecting a citizen’s constitutional right to vote is paramount, and we must ensure that legally cast ballots are not negated by illegally cast ballots. I thank Indiana’s Secretary of State, Todd Rokita, for his leadership and dedication to protecting election integrity.”

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